

Process Name: Purchasing		Process Identifier: PU	
Sub-Process Name: Award Document (OFST)		Sub-Process Identifier: PU-3 (O)	
Sub-Process Purpose and Objectives: To create a PO to get a one-time purchase under \$400 paid (the agency has already acquired the item[s] and must enter the documentation into TOPS necessary to get the vendor paid).			
Sub-Process Description: Purchasing and receiving data are entered into the OFST screen of the TOPS system, which generates a PO in the system. The agency may wish to print the PO to maintain a file copy and/or to send a copy to the vendor. The process flow then passes to the Invoice sub-process.			
Sub-Process Trigger(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An agency wished to get a One Time purchase under \$400 paid. 		Key Sub-Process Participants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agency Purchasing Department Vendors / Bidders (if they want a copy of the PO) 	
Inputs:			
Input	Format	Volume/Time	Suppliers
OFST Entries	Electronic		Agencies
Outputs:			
Output	Format	Volume/Time	Recipients
POs (optional)	Paper		Vendors

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Performance Measures Tracked:			
Measure	Approx. Value	Target Value	
Laws, Regulations, and Policies That Govern Sub-Process: Purchasing policy and State and federal code			
Current Sub-Process Issues/Problems:			
Improvement Opportunities:			
Opportunity <i>Merge cells to link one Opportunity to multiple impacts)</i>		Organizational Impacts <i>(Individually list and describe laws [L] regulations [R], and policies [P], as well as cultural [C] considerations for each opportunity)</i>	
Implement the ability to send purchase orders directly to the receiving vendor's system (i.e., no manual entry on the vendor's part)		Electronic signatures / authentication	
Implement the ability to post award information on the web directly from the purchasing application			
Applications that Support the Sub-process			
Application Name(s) <i>(Internal name and vendor's name)</i>		Technology Description <i>(Programming vendor, language, platform, database, etc.)</i>	
TOPS		TOPS is based on a system that was developed by Information Management Specialists, Inc.; the company conducts business under the name of Informs. Informs' name for the system is Advanced Government Purchasing System (AGPS). The system is written in COBOL and runs on a mainframe.	

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STARS	STARS is a mainframe-based governmental accounting system that was developed by KPMG. It is written in COBOL and uses an IMS database.

